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CITY OF SARATOGA SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

REGULAR AGENDA

June 15, 2021

MEETING HELD VIA ZOOM

PRESENT:

- MEG KELLY, Mayor
- LISA RIBIS, Secretary
- ROBIN DALTON, Commissioner
- ANTHONY SCIROCCO, Commissioner
- JOHN P. FRANCK, Commissioner
- MICHELE MADIGAN, Commissioner
- MATTHEW VEITCH, Supervisor
- TARA N. GASTON, Supervisor
- VINCENT DELEONARDIS, City Attorney



1           MAYOR KELLY: Good evening. Welcome  
2           to our city council meeting. Today is  
3           June 15th. It is 6:55. We have one  
4           public hearing on our schedule tonight  
5           and that is to Amend Chapter 225 - Time  
6           Limit Parking on High Rock Avenue.

7           And I'll turn it over to  
8           Commissioner Dalton.

9           COMMISSIONER DALTON: Thank you.  
10          This is to make the west side of High  
11          Rock Avenue two hour parking which is  
12          consistent with what's on the east side  
13          right now. So we would be amending  
14          Chapter 225 of the City Code, entitled  
15          Vehicle and Traffic Schedule XXII Time-  
16          Limit Parking on the east and west side  
17          of High Rock Avenue. The time limit  
18          would be two hours between the hours of 9  
19          a.m. and 6 p.m.

20          MAYOR KELLY: Great. If anybody is  
21          here to speak on the amendment of Chapter  
22          225 - Time Limit Parking on High Rock  
23          Avenue, please raise your hand at this  
24          time.

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1 SECRETARY RIBIS: No one's on.

2 MAYOR KELLY: And it doesn't look  
3 like we have anybody at this time.

4 So we're closing this, Commissioner?

5 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Yep, that  
6 works for me.

7 MAYOR KELLY: Okay. So we will  
8 close this public hearing. And we still  
9 have three minutes to start the council  
10 meeting, so we'll be back in two to three  
11 minutes.

12 Thank you.

13 (Pause in proceedings.)

14 MAYOR KELLY: Okay. We will start  
15 our meeting. Roll call, please.

16 SECRETARY RIBIS: Commissioner  
17 Franck?

18 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Present.

19 SECRETARY RIBIS: Commissioner  
20 Madigan?

21 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Present.

22 SECRETARY RIBIS: Commissioner  
23 Scirocco?

24 COMMISSIONER SCIROCCO: Here.

25 SECRETARY RIBIS: Commissioner



1 Dalton?

2 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Present.

3 SECRETARY RIBIS: Mayor Kelly?

4 MAYOR KELLY: Here.

5 SECRETARY RIBIS: Supervisor Veitch?

6 SUPERVISOR VEITCH: Here.

7 SECRETARY RIBIS: Supervisor Gaston?

8 SUPERVISOR GASTON: Here.

9 MAYOR KELLY: Please rise for the  
10 Pledge of Allegiance.

11 I pledge allegiance to the Flag of  
12 the United States of America, and to the  
13 Republic for which it stands, one Nation  
14 under God, indivisible, with liberty and  
15 justice for all.

16 Next on the agenda is out public  
17 comment period. It doesn't look like we  
18 have anybody at this time. I ask to keep  
19 your comments brief, up to two minutes.  
20 Yielding time to someone else is not  
21 allowed. Public comment will be at least  
22 fifteen minutes. Be respectful and  
23 address the council as a whole.

24 As a reminder, public comment is not  
25 a dialogue or discussion, but the council



1 may respond at the end of public comment.

2 Please raise your hand if you wish  
3 to public comment.

4 Okay. I don't see any hands. Do  
5 you, Lisa?

6 SECRETARY RIBIS: No.

7 THE COURT: Okay. At this time, I'm  
8 closing public comment period.

9 We'll move right on to our consent  
10 agenda. I move that the city council  
11 approve the consent agenda as included  
12 with this agenda.

13 This is a motion; is there a second?

14 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Second.

15 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

16 All those in favor, say aye.

17 IN UNISON: Aye.

18 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
19 matter passes.

20 On to the Mayor's department.

21 My first item is Appointment: Acting  
22 City Historian. Um, this part-time  
23 position was cut from the 2020 budget,  
24 during COVID-related budget reductions  
25 with the exception that it would be



1 restored when the city's budget allows.

2 Since last year, city attorney Tony  
3 Izzo, has been assisting research --  
4 researchers to access historic records  
5 and answering inquiries from the public.  
6 Tony's legal work for the city often  
7 involves research in the historic office.  
8 And his stepping in temporarily has been  
9 a great help.

10 Mary Anne Fitzgerald (ph.) has also  
11 been volunteering her time when possible  
12 to assist Tony. We certainly appreciate  
13 her continued and valuable service to the  
14 City. And we look forward to restoring  
15 the funding in the city historian part-  
16 time position.

17 The New York Arts and Cultural Law  
18 requires every municipality have a  
19 historian. So I'd like to make this  
20 temporary appointment a part of the  
21 record for tonight. I'll read the  
22 certification of appointment into the  
23 record.

24 Pursuant to my authority under  
25 Section 5707 of the Arts and Cultural



1           Affairs Law, I hereby appoint Anthony J.  
2           Izzo, 158 Circular Street, Saratoga  
3           Springs, New York as acting city  
4           historian for the City of Saratoga  
5           Springs to serve until said appointment  
6           is discontinued in writing. He shall  
7           serve without compensation.

8                     My second item is Appointments to  
9           the Community Development Citizens  
10          Advisory Committee. I am appointing  
11          Jeannette Dunn (ph.) to the Community  
12          Development Citizens Advisory Committee  
13          for a three-year term, July 1, 2021 to  
14          June 30th, 2024.

15                    I am also reappointing the following  
16          individuals to the Community Development  
17          Citizens Advisory Committee for a three-  
18          year term, July 1, 2021 to June 30th,  
19          2024: Judy Harrigan (ph.), Brian Strauder  
20          (ph.), and Tamara Tepper (ph.).

21                    My third Appointment is Complete  
22          Streets Advisory Board Appointment. I'm  
23          appointing Dr. James Kelley to the  
24          Complete Streets Advisory Board to  
25          complete the term of William Ryan (ph.),



1 which ends December 19th, 2021. Dr.  
2 Kelley leads the Saratoga Hospital  
3 Medical Group Sports Medicine Services.  
4 As a primary care sports medicine  
5 physician, Dr. Kelley emphasizes the  
6 importance of exercise and promoting a  
7 healthy lifestyle. He's moved back to  
8 Saratoga Springs in 2018 after completing  
9 his medical training with his family and,  
10 in large part, due to the walkability of  
11 the city and the opportunities for his  
12 family to maintain an active lifestyle.

13 And I do believe that Dr. Kelley --  
14 if that is you on there, can you just  
15 unmute and turn your video on?

16 DR. KELLEY: Yeah, hi Mayor. Hold  
17 on, let me see -- okay. Yes, hi.  
18 Thanks for the opportunity.

19 MAYOR KELLY: How are you? We just  
20 wanted to, you know, put a face to you.  
21 And -- and you know it is a different  
22 spelling of Kelley, so we are not --

23 DR. KELLEY: Yes.

24 MAYOR KELLY: -- related. And I  
25 welcome you to the Complete Streets





1           Advisory Board. So thank you for  
2           serving.

3           DR. KELLEY: All right. Thank you  
4           for having me.

5           MAYOR KELLY: Yep.

6           My next item is an Appointment to  
7           the Planning Board. I'm also -- I will  
8           be appointing Alfred DelPos to the  
9           planning board for a term, June 15th to  
10          June 31, 2021. Al DelPos is a retired  
11          architect with vast experience in various  
12          types of development. He lives in  
13          Saratoga -- he has lived in Saratoga  
14          Springs since 2004. He will be replacing  
15          a member that had to resign due to  
16          personal issues.

17          My fifth item is Discussion and  
18          Vote: Resolution Declaring Stonequist  
19          Apartments Rehabilitation and  
20          Modernization Project SEQRA Type II  
21          Action. And I'll turn this over to  
22          Vince, so he can tell us about this.

23          MR. DELEONARDIS: Thank you, Mayor.

24          So the Housing Authority is  
25          undertaking a rehabilitation and



1 modernization project at the Stonequist  
2 Apartments. This includes all interior  
3 work and no exterior work, but  
4 nonetheless, they're required to  
5 undertake an environmental analysis.

6 When the Housing Authority has a  
7 project such as this, the city acts as  
8 the responsible entity and the Mayor as  
9 the certifying officer for all  
10 environmental review activities  
11 undertaken by the Housing Authority prior  
12 to the release of funds being issued by  
13 HUD or other relevant public funding  
14 entities.

15 The resolution before you this  
16 evening simply declares this project as a  
17 Type II Project -- and again that's  
18 because all of the work is being done to  
19 the interior structure -- and authorizes  
20 the Mayor to execute any documents  
21 necessary for that environmental review.

22 So the resolution itself was  
23 uploaded with the agenda. I don't think  
24 there's any need to read out loud the  
25 resolution.



1           But if there -- unless there are any  
2           questions, Mayor, you can make that  
3           motion.

4           MAYOR KELLY: Does anybody have any  
5           questions?

6           Okay. Then I -- I move that the  
7           city council approve the resolution  
8           declaring Stonequist Apartments  
9           Rehabilitation and Modernization Project  
10          SEQRA Type II -- SEQRA Type II action.  
11          This is a motion; is there a second?

12          COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second.

13          COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Second.

14          MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

15          All those in favor, say aye.

16          IN UNISON: Aye.

17          MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
18          matter passes.

19          My sixth item is Discussion and  
20          Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign  
21          Addendum to the Agreement with Saratoga  
22          Convention and Tourism Bureau. The  
23          addendum -- sorry -- provides the payment  
24          by the city to the tourism board of  
25          twenty-five percent or \$19,901.75 for the



1 management and operation of the visitor  
2 centers during the third quarter of 2021.

3 A decision about the fourth quarter  
4 will be considered by both parties before  
5 September 30th, 2021.

6 Budget line A3517524-54752 has --  
7 has the funding.

8 I move that the city council  
9 authorize the Mayor to sign the Addendum  
10 to the Agreement with the Saratoga  
11 Convention and Tourism Bureau. This is a  
12 motion; is there a second?

13 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Second.

14 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

15 All those in favor, say aye.

16 IN UNISON: Aye.

17 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
18 matter passes.

19 My next item is Discussion and Vote:  
20 Internship Agreement. And I'll let Vince  
21 just give a overall of this.

22 MR. DELEONARDIS: All right. Thank  
23 you, Mayor.

24 The item before you this evening is  
25 an internship agreement that effectively



1 consolidates four of the existing  
2 internship agreements that we already had  
3 in place and removes the insurance limits  
4 for all college credit internships with  
5 the exception of police and fire.

6 The internship agreement is intended  
7 to streamline the process and make it  
8 easier for appointing authorities to  
9 utilize and implement interns. The  
10 director of HR worked with Marilyn  
11 Rivers, the director of risk and safety,  
12 to put together this agreement that's  
13 before you this evening. And it still  
14 contains the conditions of the agreement,  
15 and the interns are still subject to your  
16 applicable policies relative to their  
17 internship here.

18 So this will be explained further to  
19 all of the appointing authorities in an  
20 email in the very near future by the HR  
21 director detailing all of this  
22 information.

23 MAYOR KELLY: Thank you, Vince.

24 I would also like to take Marilyn  
25 Rivers and Christy Spadaro, our HR, for



1 working on this. It'll just make it more  
2 streamlined to get interns into the city.

3 I move that the city council approve  
4 the internship agreement. This is a  
5 motion; is there a second?

6 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second.

7 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.

8 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

9 All those in favor, say aye.

10 IN UNISON: Aye.

11 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed?

12 The matter passes.

13 My eighth item is Discussion and  
14 Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign  
15 Agreement with Saratoga Tents & Events  
16 for Camp Saradac. This request is to  
17 sign an agreement for Saratoga Tents &  
18 Events to -- to be utilized during the  
19 Camp Saradac season.

20 I move that the city council  
21 authorize the mayor to sign an agreement  
22 with Saratoga Tents & Events for the  
23 rental of tents for the course of the  
24 Camp Saradac season. This is a motion;  
25 is there a second?



1 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second.

2 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

3 All those in favor, say aye.

4 IN UNISON: Aye.

5 MAYOR KELLY: And --

6 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Aye.

7 MAYOR KELLY: Thank you. Can -- can  
8 you just speak up because I can't hear  
9 the -- the -- all those in favor, say  
10 aye.

11 IN UNISON: Aye.

12 MAYOR KELLY: Thank you.

13 The matter passes.

14 My next item is Discussion and Vote:  
15 Authorization to Pay Deposit to Jumping  
16 Bean Party Rental for Camp Saradac. This  
17 is a pay -- this is a request to pay a  
18 deposit for a mini golf set-up for Camp  
19 Saradac.

20 I move that the city council  
21 authorize a payment of a deposit to the  
22 mini golf set-up for -- for play at Camp  
23 Saradac. This is a motion; is there a  
24 second?

25 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second.



1 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Second.

2 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

3 All those in favor, say aye.

4 IN UNISON: Aye.

5 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed?

6 The matter passes.

7 My next item is --

8 SECRETARY RIBIS: Excuse me, Mayor?

9 Did you say for a mini golf?

10 MAYOR KELLY: Yes.

11 SECRETARY RIBIS: Is that the same  
12 as the Jumping Bean Party Rental? Or did  
13 I miss an item?

14 MAYOR KELLY: Oh, the motion doesn't  
15 match? Let's see.

16 Okay, so I would -- let me change  
17 that motion. Thank you, Lisa Ribis.

18 I move that the city council  
19 authorize payment of a deposit to Jumping  
20 Bean Party Rental for Camp Saradac. This  
21 is a motion; is there a second?

22 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second.

23 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

24 All those in favor, say aye.

25 IN UNISON: Aye.





1           MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
2 matter passes.

3           Thank you, Lisa, again.

4           My tenth item is Discussion and  
5 Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to  
6 Execute MOA with Unions Regarding  
7 Juneteenth. And I'll ask Vince to speak  
8 on this.

9           MR. DELEONARDIS: Thank you, Mayor.

10          So you'll recall that last year on  
11 October 14th, Governor Cuomo signed into  
12 law legislation designating Juneteenth as  
13 an official public holiday to commemorate  
14 the end of slavery and celebrate black  
15 and African American freedom and  
16 achievements. In fact, just this  
17 evening, the U.S. Senate unanimously  
18 passed a bill declaring it a federal  
19 holiday, as well. It still has to go  
20 through the House.

21          But since that time, we have met  
22 with the unions to incorporate  
23 Juneteenth, which is June 19th, as a --  
24 an additional holiday included in the  
25 collective bargaining agreements that



1 will take effect next year. So we were  
2 unable to accommodate that for this year,  
3 but effective in 2022, if this memorandum  
4 is approved, Juneteenth will become  
5 holiday in addition to the other holidays  
6 for all members of the unions.

7 MAYOR KELLY: Thank you.

8 I move that the city council  
9 authorize the Mayor to execute the  
10 memorandum of agreement with the unions  
11 regarding Juneteenth. This is a motion;  
12 is there a second?

13 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Second.

14 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

15 All those in favor, say aye.

16 IN UNISON: Aye.

17 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
18 matter passes.

19 My next item is Discussion and Vote:  
20 Approval for the Mayor to Sign Memorandum  
21 of Agreement to Reimburse Employee #2479  
22 in the Amount of \$3,500. This is a  
23 request for the Mayor to sign an MOA  
24 between the City of Saratoga Springs and  
25 Employee #2479 for reimbursement of



1           \$3,500 for a course relating to the -- to  
2           further his proficiency as a firefighter.

3           I move that the city council  
4           authorize the approved reimbursement of  
5           Employee #2479 in the amount of 3,500 for  
6           courses relating to further his  
7           proficiency as a fire fighter. This is a  
8           motion; is there a second?

9           COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second.

10          MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

11          All those in favor, say aye.

12          IN UNISON: Aye.

13          MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
14          matter passes.

15          My twelfth item is an Announcement:  
16          Roof Permitting Procedure and Fee Change.  
17          Beginning July 1, 2021, all re-roof  
18          permits will now require a certificate of  
19          compliance to verify compliance with New  
20          York State building code. For the  
21          majority of re-roof projects, owners and  
22          their contractors will be required to  
23          schedule two inspections with the  
24          building department when replacing a  
25          roof. The first inspection is required



1 prior to covering the ice and water  
2 barrier. The building department may --  
3 may accept the ice and water affidavit in  
4 lieu of the inspection. A final  
5 inspection is required in order to  
6 receive a certification of compliance and  
7 close out the permit.

8 Exceptions to the required  
9 inspections based on the project scope  
10 and materials will be communicated by the  
11 building department during the permit  
12 issuing process.

13 The fee schedule's being revised to  
14 remove the refundable roofing  
15 certification fee of \$100. The building  
16 department continues to review and  
17 improve the quality and efficiency of  
18 permitting inspection services.

19 Please check the building department  
20 web pages for information or call the  
21 building department with any questions.

22 My next item is Announcement:  
23 Rejoice the Vote Awards City of Saratoga  
24 Springs - Votingest Small City Award.  
25 Saratoga Springs won a democracy voting



1 award for small cities in New York State,  
2 which was presented by Jeff Furman,  
3 founder of Rejoice the Vote, to the Mayor  
4 and Bill Frucci, Commissioner of the  
5 Saratoga County Board of Elections on  
6 Monday, June 8th. The Votingest City  
7 Challenge is a competition celebrating  
8 cities with the highest percentage of  
9 eligible voter participation in the 2020  
10 presidential election. Saratoga Springs  
11 won in smaller cities category with  
12 eighty percent voter turnout, and Albany  
13 was the winner for larger cities in New  
14 York State with seventy-five percent  
15 eligible voter participation.

16 COMMISSIONER DALTON: That is so  
17 cool, by the way.

18 MAYOR KELLY: It's a lot of people,  
19 yeah

20 COMMISSIONER DALTON: That's  
21 awesome. Like, kudos to the voters of  
22 Saratoga Springs.

23 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Yep.

24 COMMISSIONER DALTON: That's  
25 freaking fantastic.



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COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Very good.

MAYOR KELLY: Um-hum.

My next item is an Announcement:

Missing Sidewalk Links Open House. The  
Saratoga Springs -- the City of Saratoga  
Springs will be hosting the first Missing  
Sidewalk Links Open House at Saratoga  
Springs Recreation Center, 15 Vanderbilt  
Avenue, Thursday, June 24th from 3 p.m.  
to 7 p.m. This -- the city invites  
interested residents and property owners  
to stop in any time between 3 and 7 to  
meet city staff and learn more about the  
project.

The staff will have plans on hand  
for you to review and to make comments.  
Comment forms will be available at the  
meeting. You may find out more if you  
visit the web -- the project page on the  
city website.

I would also like to add item for  
the council to approve an invoice. I  
move that the city council vote to add --  
to add Discussion and Vote: Approval to



1 Pay Invoice to the Daily Gazette  
2 Newspaper for Land Use Board Legal  
3 Notices. This is a motion; is there a  
4 second?

5 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second,

6 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.

7 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

8 All those in favor, say aye.

9 IN UNISON: Aye.

10 MAYOR KELLY: The matter passes.

11 My next item is Discussion and Vote:

12 Approval to Pay Invoice to Daily Gazette  
13 Newspaper for Land Use Board Legal  
14 Notices. A series of incorrect invoices  
15 caused delay in payment more than thirty  
16 day required for purchase -- for the  
17 purchasing department. The voucher in  
18 the amount of \$550.03 to pay the invoice  
19 was emailed late this afternoon to the  
20 council and to the secretary for the  
21 record.

22 Let's see. So I move that the  
23 council approve to pay the invoice of the  
24 Daily Gazette Newspaper for Land Use  
25 Board Notices. This is a motion; is



1           there a second?

2           COMMISSIONER FRANCK:   Second.

3           MAYOR KELLY:   Any discussion?

4           All those in favor, say aye.

5           IN UNISON:   Aye.

6           MAYOR KELLY:   Any opposed?

7           The matter passes.

8           And that concludes my agenda.  On to  
9           accounts, Commissioner Franck.

10          COMMISSIONER FRANCK:  Thank you,  
11          Mayor.

12          The first item is Award of Bid:  
13          Construction Services for Raw Water In --  
14          Valve Replacement Program to Jersen  
15          Construction Group.  Upon the  
16          recommendation of the department of  
17          public works, I move to award the bid for  
18          raw water intake valve replacement  
19          construction to Jersen Construction Group  
20          in the amount not to exceed \$2,011,446.  
21          And that's a motion.

22          MAYOR KELLY:  Is there a second?

23          COMMISSIONER MADIGAN:  Second

24          COMMISSIONER SCIROCCO:  Second.

25          MAYOR KELLY:  Any discussion?





1 All those in favor, say aye.

2 IN UNISON: Aye.

3 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
4 matter passes.

5 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Thank you,  
6 Mayor.

7 The second item is also an Award of  
8 Bid: Electrical Services for the Raw  
9 Water Intake Valve Replacement Program to  
10 Brunswick Electric Inc. Upon the  
11 recommendation -- upon the request of the  
12 department of public works, I move to  
13 award the bid for raw water intake valve  
14 replacement electrical to Brunswick  
15 Electric Inc. in the amount not to exceed  
16 \$190,000. That's also a motion.

17 MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

18 COMMISSIONER SCIROCCO: Second.

19 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second.

20 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

21 All those in favor, say aye.

22 IN UNISON: Aye.

23 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
24 matter passes.

25 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Thank you.



1 And the third, and last item is just a  
2 brief announcement relating to Grievance  
3 Day Update. Grievance Day was held on  
4 Tuesday, May 25th, 2021. We had another  
5 successful year with forty-two taxpayers  
6 grieving their assessments. I would like  
7 to thank the board, headed by Camille  
8 Daniels, Shelia Sperling, Joe Ribis, Joy  
9 King, and Jim Martinez for volunteering  
10 their time on the board of assessment  
11 review.

12 And that concludes my agenda.

13 MAYOR KELLY: Thank you,  
14 Commissioner.

15 On to finance, Commissioner Madigan.

16 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Thank you,  
17 Mayor.

18 This may be the longest agenda I've  
19 had in ten years, so I will try to make  
20 reasonably quick work out of this.

21 My first item is Announcement: Bond  
22 Sale. In the wake of receiving our bond  
23 rating, the -- AA+, stable, improved over  
24 the last year from AA+ with a negative  
25 outlook and now we have a positive



1 outlook. The recent city sale of bonds  
2 for 2021 capital projects resulted in an  
3 interest rate of 2.13%. And we bonded  
4 \$6,167,823. There were four bids. The  
5 lowest bidder was Roosevelt Cross. And  
6 again, the negative outlook was removed  
7 from the rating and that definitely  
8 contributed to the competitive bid  
9 result. I would say it was very good.

10 My second item is an Update on the  
11 Tax Anticipation Note, the TAN. The 2021  
12 June mid-warrant on the consent agenda,  
13 item number 10, it's -- the consent  
14 agenda generally speaking is unusually  
15 large this go round for our council  
16 meeting because it does include the  
17 payback of the TAN of about \$7.1 million.  
18 That includes the interest and other  
19 service fees.

20 So this is because the city is in a  
21 position to pay back one of it's two  
22 short-term loans, required last year to  
23 meet payroll and bills. The loan is due  
24 at the end of June for a total amount of  
25 \$6.31 million, you know, in principle.



1           And then there's some interest, but it  
2           doesn't quite come out to 7.1 million, so  
3           I don't know why I have 7.1 million in  
4           the consent agenda. It must include  
5           something else. Because it's just \$9,000  
6           really it looks like in interest.

7           But I'm really pleased that we were  
8           able to pay this TAN back. So we went  
9           from our short-term debt of being 11.3  
10          million down to 5 million. And this does  
11          benefit the taxpayers and the city.

12          When I get a better understanding of  
13          why the consent agenda is at 7.1  
14          million -- and yes, it does include other  
15          things, I'm sorry, item number 10. It  
16          also includes the payment of the TAN.  
17          But I don't know what those other things  
18          are. So that's it, thanks.

19          COMMISSIONER DALTON: That's pretty  
20          awesome that we're able to pay that back,  
21          that we're, you know, in good enough  
22          financial health. I mean, I'm delighted  
23          and happy and I just think it's a  
24          really -- it's a really good thing.

25          COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Yeah, you



1 know, cash flow is improving and so that  
2 also -- and revenues are improving. And  
3 so that actually helps with both budget  
4 and cash flow and paying, you know, major  
5 expense disbursements and June, including  
6 the TAN. So it's all very good. Thank  
7 you.

8 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Thank you.

9 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: My third item  
10 is an Appointment to the Arts Commission.  
11 And I am reappointing Ria Curley to the  
12 Arts Commission. Ria's my -- I don't  
13 have a lot of detail on Ria's background.  
14 She is a reappointment. She is with the  
15 Curley Lamb Trio and she's primarily a  
16 musician in the area.

17 My fourth item is a Discussion and  
18 Vote: the 2021 Mid-Year Budget  
19 Recommended Amendments. This is the big  
20 item for my agenda this evening. I'm  
21 pleased to be able to present the 2021  
22 Mid-Year Budget Amendment  
23 Recommendations. These were planned for  
24 if our financial -- we were preparing to  
25 plan for this if our financial situation



1           were to change for the better or for the  
2           worse. I'm pleased that it's changed for  
3           the better. And so we need to start  
4           bringing our budget back to where we were  
5           at the end of 2019 going into 2020. We  
6           want to bring our service levels back up  
7           to where we would have been, you know,  
8           going through 2020. The economy is  
9           cooperating, the council has cooperated,  
10          the unions, are employees that power the  
11          city, have cooperated. And our city is  
12          coming out of this pandemic financial  
13          crisis intact and health.

14                 So at this point, I am prepared to  
15          restore approximately \$2.3 million in  
16          expenses based on the same amount in  
17          increased revenues. Almost half of this,  
18          however, is dedicated to reinstating our  
19          2021 employee contracts. So I don't -- I  
20          only have estimated numbers, and I'm  
21          going to run through them for everybody.

22                 The amendments that I am presenting  
23          this evening are only recommendations.  
24          This will be the first step towards the  
25          amended 2021 budget. The next step will



1 be the actual budget appropriations and  
2 those will be completed vis-à-vis budget  
3 amendment forms, MUNIS entry, and a  
4 council vote therein. These will either  
5 be brought to a special city council  
6 meeting depending on needs of various  
7 departments, because we do have three  
8 weeks between council meetings, this  
9 council meeting and the first one in  
10 July. Or we will do it at the first  
11 meeting in July to give departments some  
12 time to accomplish this task. It's a lot  
13 to go through and amend the budget for  
14 every single employee, and we still are  
15 waiting on the MOUs before we can move  
16 that forward.

17 Two exceptions this evening are for  
18 the Saratoga Convention and Tourism  
19 Bureau, for the Visitor's Center, and the  
20 assistant city assessor. These  
21 amendments were included already on the  
22 agenda this evening -- or are included.  
23 They may be coming up later, but I know  
24 for a fact that the Convention and  
25 Tourism Bureau one was on the consent



1 agenda, and the Mayor has already  
2 discussed that vis-à-vis her item with  
3 the contract on her agenda.

4 So here are the expense  
5 recommendations. For employee contracts,  
6 we estimate that that's going to be  
7 950,000 to a million dollars. And we are  
8 going to make that effective on August 1,  
9 2021 or thereabouts. We're working with  
10 the union negotiating team and Cameron  
11 (ph.) in payroll to pick, you know, a  
12 perfect date so everything lines up well  
13 for payroll.

14 The City Hall security project,  
15 right now, I'm estimating about \$164,000  
16 for City Hall security. We still need  
17 more details that are needed for this  
18 project probably before we want to do the  
19 actual budget amendment, but I'm prepared  
20 to do the budget amendment as more  
21 details come in. We've already allocated  
22 almost \$12,000 for the Lake Avenue doors.  
23 We had transferred at the last council  
24 meeting. And about \$16,000 for the  
25 council room and coder, the -- so that we





1 can get back into City Hall and film out  
2 meetings accordingly.

3 In the Mayor and civil service,  
4 there was a part-time building inspector  
5 and part-time civil service coordinator  
6 that we're reinstated or brought to  
7 council for a transfer at a -- an earlier  
8 meeting. But other amendments that I'm  
9 looking to make for the Mayor's  
10 Department total \$101,037. And that  
11 would be for a building inspector for six  
12 months at 48,000 -- approximately  
13 \$48,000. And to bring back the city  
14 historian part time, allocating 13,000  
15 there. And of course, we had the \$20,000  
16 for the Saratoga Convention and Tourism  
17 Bureau. And I am recommending partially  
18 restoring funding for the senior center  
19 at an amount to be \$20,000. This doesn't  
20 quite get them up to full funding, where  
21 they were in 2019 and 2020, we scaled  
22 them -- or no -- yeah -- no, we scaled  
23 them back. And we scaled them back this  
24 year or last year, I can't even remember  
25 now --



1           MAYOR KELLY: This year.

2           COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: It was this  
3 year. So they're not quite at a hundred  
4 percent, but this restores them a little  
5 bit more. And I think it's -- you know,  
6 sends a good message for this provider to  
7 open its doors to this very vulnerable  
8 population during COVID. So the Mayor's  
9 Department totals \$101,000 approximately.

10           In the finance department, we're  
11 looking at sixty -- about \$65,000 for an  
12 information technology director. It's  
13 about 21,000. Our longtime IT director  
14 is retiring at year's end. And this will  
15 cover about two-months overlap for  
16 critical information transfer. The  
17 anticipated annual salary for replacing  
18 this position is approximately \$90,000 a  
19 year. And a computer support technician  
20 in the IT department. One of our former  
21 computer support technology employees has  
22 become our security specialist, and we  
23 need to backfill the position. And as  
24 soon as possible, so that this person can  
25 also train with our IT director before he



1           retires.

2                       We've had some complaints and some  
3           difficulty running IT with four  
4           employees. One is dedicated completely  
5           to the police department. The other is  
6           dedicated completely to help desk. Then  
7           there's Kevin. And now we have somebody  
8           completely dedicated to security and  
9           Laserfiche-type issues.

10                      In the public works department and  
11           public works recreation department, we  
12           have a total of \$251,000. I'm  
13           recommending an electrician full time at  
14           about \$46,000, a laborer part time in  
15           highways at about 24,000, a laborer part  
16           time in parks and casino at 12.5  
17           thousand, and we need the expense for  
18           hazardous waste education at 15,000.

19                      I'm recommending one indoor rec  
20           laborer, one ice rink laborer, one  
21           waterfront laborer, and one rec expenses  
22           laborer -- I don't know what that means.  
23           And those -- that one totals for rec DPW  
24           about \$154,000.

25                      In the public safety department, the



1 total is 688,000 approximately. And  
2 that's to have three police officers in  
3 the academy for six months. We have the  
4 police officer twelve-hour shift change  
5 according to the MOU that the council  
6 unanimously approved is included in that  
7 amount. Police overtime had to go up by  
8 approximately 160,000. Overtime for the  
9 fire department about 53,000. Overtime  
10 fire department other is about 24,000.  
11 We have some comp time, police department  
12 and fire department overtime, as well in  
13 that number.

14 For the accounts department, the  
15 total is about \$89,000. And that will be  
16 for the assistant assessor overlap  
17 because our long-time assistant assessor  
18 is retiring shortly prior to year's end.  
19 And this will cover approximately a six-  
20 month overlap for critical information  
21 transfer. Anticipated annual salary for  
22 this is about \$94,000 a year per CSEA  
23 City Hall contract.

24 We are also recommending a part-time  
25 clerk to help with fixed asset and



1 inventory management. This will help  
2 both our insurance and our annual audit.  
3 And that amount is approximately \$22,000.

4 The recreation department  
5 specifically has no further requests.

6 So that total comes to \$2,308,846.  
7 The revenue recommendations are amended  
8 revenue amounts that are based on funds  
9 received to date, as well as projections  
10 based on these amounts that we've  
11 received. The net total is about 2.6  
12 million, slightly higher than the amounts  
13 we will use for the 2021 mid-year budget  
14 amendments. But this will allow maybe  
15 for us to have some other set aside  
16 things and also look at other priorities  
17 as we're going forward. And it never  
18 helps to -- it never hurts to have some  
19 additional funds in fund balance. So --  
20 and these are only projections at this  
21 point in time.

22 Sales tax I would like to increase  
23 by \$2 million. VLT aid we are increasing  
24 by 1 point -- almost 1.2 -- 1.16 million.  
25 Mortgage tax will go up 350,000. We're



1 going to -- planning board fees look like  
2 they are going up, and so are building  
3 permits. I'm not sure. But we had  
4 federal fiscal aide down by a million.  
5 Parking ticket revenue is also down. And  
6 rental hall in the casino is down in  
7 terms of revenues that I've been looking  
8 at.

9 So I -- you know, I honestly don't  
10 understand the notes that I have here for  
11 prior years' taxes and planning board  
12 fees and building permits because they  
13 don't seem to line up well. But I think  
14 we're saying they're going to be bringing  
15 in more revenues than we originally  
16 anticipated now that we're open back up.

17 So that comes out to approximately  
18 2.6 million in revenues. So with that, I  
19 would like to move that the city council  
20 approve the 2021 Mid-Year Budget  
21 Recommended Amendments as included with  
22 the agenda. Although, these are not  
23 actually amendments, we're going to do  
24 the actual physical transfers and budget  
25 amendments at one of the next council



1 meetings, the budget itself will be  
2 amended going forward either at a special  
3 council meeting or in early July.

4 This is a motion.

5 MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

6 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second.

7 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

8 I would like to thank you,  
9 Commissioner, for working with the  
10 Mayor's department and with the  
11 recreation department. I think that, you  
12 know, it was -- you know, a lot of  
13 meetings, a lot of going back and forth.  
14 But I think in the end, we you know --  
15 we're very, very happy. And I appreciate  
16 all the work of your team. Thank you.

17 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Thank you.

18 We did have a lot of meetings --

19 MAYOR KELLY: Yep.

20 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: -- and I like  
21 where we're headed and it's a much better  
22 message this year than last year. Thank  
23 you, Mayor.

24 MAYOR KELLY: That's right.

25 COMMISSIONER DALTON: I also just



1 wanted to weigh in on behalf of public  
2 safety. We couldn't be more appreciative  
3 of your cooperation and the finance  
4 department really sitting down and  
5 understanding our needs right now,  
6 because they are -- they are intense. As  
7 we've all experienced, the amount of  
8 people coming to our city, the amount of  
9 people enjoying our city, although --  
10 also the amount of people kind of getting  
11 into trouble in our city right now. It's  
12 reaching record highs and we desperately  
13 needed more funds, more bodies, and more  
14 support. And so we just are very  
15 appreciative that you recognized that  
16 and, you know, gave it to us and are  
17 supporting public safety. So my thanks  
18 to you for that very much.

19 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Thank you,  
20 Commissioner. And I've seen downtown.  
21 And I -- you know, that's just one aspect  
22 of public safety --

23 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Yep.

24 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: -- but you  
25 know, there's -- you know, public





1 safety's 24/7 and, you know, I think it  
2 was Commissioner Franck, yes, who said  
3 the Roaring '20s, well, it's overly  
4 roaring downtown lately so --

5 COMMISSIONER DALTON: It sure is.

6 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: -- you know,  
7 and it gives you pause for concern. And I  
8 know our police department's a little  
9 concerned -- very concerned about the  
10 level of activity that's increasing in  
11 the downtown. So this was much needed,  
12 and I'm really pleased, you know, that  
13 we've all been able to come together and  
14 make this happen.

15 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Thank you.

16 MAYOR KELLY: Any other comments?

17 All those in favor, say aye.

18 IN UNISON: Aye.

19 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
20 matter passes.

21 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Thank you.

22 My next item is a Discussion and Vote.

23 This will be an Assignment for a

24 Recycling Bin Program. I am recommending

25 that \$50,000 be placed in an assignment



1 for a recycling bin program, using funds  
2 received from VLT aid in excess of the  
3 estimated budget amounts.

4 Assignments are a tool established  
5 by the Governmental Accounting Standards  
6 Board, GASB, in 2009, Statement No. 54,  
7 allowing funds to be set aside for  
8 specific purposes with fewer restrictions  
9 and reserves governed by New York State  
10 law. Which means they're just easier to  
11 break if we really need the money. And  
12 so that's why I like this assignment.

13 The city had created several.  
14 Again, most were used or dissolved to  
15 support finances through the difficulties  
16 of the pandemic. Citizens, visitors,  
17 numerous organizations, students, college  
18 and high school, have been clamoring for  
19 recycling bins. We're a bit behind the  
20 times in providing this amenity, but we  
21 will get there. One, which will benefit  
22 the community, environment, and the  
23 economy.

24 And for the record, the assignment  
25 is as follows: the Assignment for the



1 Recycling Bin Program in the amount of up  
2 to \$50,000. In conjunction with its  
3 commitment to the community, environment,  
4 and economic benefits, and in response to  
5 the overwhelming demand from city  
6 residents, visitors, organizations, and  
7 our area students, the city has been  
8 working to establish recycling bins  
9 downtown, as well as in other high-use  
10 areas.

11 Finance is recommending the  
12 establishment of an assignment in the  
13 amount of up to 50,000 using estimated  
14 revenue from 2021 VLT aid to progress  
15 this widely supported goal. Funds in  
16 this assignment may be used for bins, as  
17 well as other costs reasonably necessary  
18 for a recycling bin program. Request to  
19 use this assignment may be brought to the  
20 council by way of budget amendments on an  
21 as needed basis.

22 I move that the city council approve  
23 the Assignment for Recycling Bin Program  
24 as read into the agenda this evening.  
25 This is a motion.



1           MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

2           COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second.

3           MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

4           COMMISSIONER DALTON: I love this.

5 Thank you for bringing this.

6           MAYOR KELLY: All those in favor,

7 say aye.

8           IN UNISON: Aye.

9           MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
10 matter passes.

11           COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Thank you.

12 Item number 6 is a Discussion and Vote:  
13 Updated Timesheet and Payroll Preparation  
14 and Distribution Policy of the Finance  
15 Policies and Procedures Manual, which is  
16 required by the city charter to  
17 promulgate policies and procedures.

18           The Finance Policies and Procedures  
19 Manual's section regarding timesheets and  
20 payroll preparation is being updated --

21           MAYOR KELLY: I can't hear her.

22           COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: -- to  
23 incorporate language regarding the  
24 twelve-hour shift and biweekly payroll --  
25 what? Can you hear me?



1           MAYOR KELLY: You're cutting in and  
2 out a little bit.

3           COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Okay. Am I  
4 okay now? Let me know?

5           MAYOR KELLY: I'll let you know,  
6 thank you.

7           COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: All right.  
8 Incorporate language regarding the  
9 twelve-hour shift and biweekly payroll  
10 for police. Add payroll advice email  
11 enrolment form. Allow finance to use an  
12 employee city email address if they have  
13 not authorized a different email address  
14 for their advice email form. No longer  
15 allow for a partial direct deposit  
16 effective August 1, 2021. Direct  
17 deposits will now need to be 100 percent  
18 of your paycheck.

19           I move that the city council approve  
20 the Updated Timesheet and Payroll  
21 Preparation and Distribution Policy of  
22 the Finance Policy and Procedure Manual  
23 as distributed with the agenda. This is  
24 a motion.

25           MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?



1 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.

2 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

3 All those in favor, say aye.

4 IN UNISON: Aye.

5 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
6 matter passes.

7 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Thank you.

8 Item number 7, Discussion and Vote: Tait  
9 Lane PILOT Resolution and Agreement.

10 This project will consist of 202 one,  
11 two, and three-bedroom apartment units.  
12 Not less than 200 of those units will be  
13 available for person with AMIs as  
14 follows: fifteen percent of the units  
15 will be for an AMI of thirty percent or  
16 less, 15 percent will be for an AMI of  
17 fifty percent or less, 50 percent will be  
18 for an AMI of 60 percent or less, and 20  
19 percent of the units will be for an AMI  
20 of 80 percent or less. In addition, the  
21 project is working in collaboration with  
22 a local support of service provider and  
23 will set aside ten units for occupancy by  
24 clients of the provider.

25 The PILOT provides for an annual



1 payment of \$20,000 until eight months  
2 following the issuance of the final  
3 certificate of occupancy. Thereafter,  
4 annual payments will be in the amount of  
5 \$113,565, and will increase two percent  
6 every year for the remaining term of the  
7 PILOT, thirty years.

8 The PILOT was drafted in conjunction  
9 with Tony Popolizio and Christine  
10 Gillmett-Brown. Both of the accounts  
11 department and the city finance  
12 department, attorney John Hartzell, who  
13 represents the project and developers, is  
14 in attendance this evening at the city  
15 council meeting. The city attorney and  
16 John are both available to answer  
17 additional questions or chime in if you  
18 would like before I make the motion for  
19 further information.

20 MAYOR KELLY: I don't have any  
21 comments, other than I'm really looking  
22 forward to this project. So I appreciate  
23 you bringing this, and thank you, John  
24 Hartzell, for all your work bringing this  
25 to where it is today. It's always a



1 process to go through and it's nice to  
2 see you hanging in there, so thank you.

3 MR. HARTZELL: Thank you, Mayor  
4 Kelly and Commissioner Madigan. We know  
5 you have a busy agenda, so thank you for  
6 squeezing us on to your agenda --

7 MAYOR KELLY: You need to speak up,  
8 John, we can't hear you.

9 MR. HARTZELL: Sorry about that.  
10 Just thank you for squeezing us on to  
11 your agenda, Commissioner Madigan, and  
12 happy to answer any questions that anyone  
13 might have.

14 MAYOR KELLY: Okay. Any other  
15 comments or questions from the council?

16 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: I'll make the  
17 motion then.

18 MAYOR KELLY: Thank you.

19 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: I move the  
20 council -- the city council approve the  
21 Updated Timesheet and Payroll -- wait --

22 MAYOR KELLY: Nope, next one. Tait  
23 Lane.

24 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Well, I've  
25 got the wrong notes here. Sorry.





1 I move that the city council approve  
2 the Tait Lane PILOT Resolution and  
3 Agreement as uploaded with the agenda.  
4 This is a motion.

5 MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

6 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second.

7 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

8 All those in favor, say aye.

9 IN UNISON: Aye.

10 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
11 matter passes. Thank you all for  
12 attending.

13 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Thank you.  
14 Sorry about those -- confusion there on  
15 the -- I have a long agenda tonight, so  
16 sometimes I read the wrong thing from my  
17 notes. Thank you.

18 Item number 8 is a Discussion and  
19 Vote: Update City Fees - Building  
20 Department. The building department has  
21 revised its city fees in connection with  
22 roofing permits as the Mayor discussed on  
23 her agenda this evening. I move that the  
24 council approve the updated City Fees -  
25 Building Department as distributed with



1 the agenda. This is a motion.

2 MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

3 COMMISSIONER SCIROCCO: Second.

4 MAYOR KELLY: Second.

5 Any discussion?

6 All those in favor, say aye.

7 IN UNISON: Aye.

8 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
9 matter passes.

10 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Item number 9  
11 is a Discussion and Vote: Authorization  
12 for the Mayor to Sign Agreement with  
13 Quadient for Folder/Inserter. The city  
14 finance department needs to replace its  
15 folder and inserter. This is an envelope  
16 stuffing machine for paychecks, late  
17 notices, and tax bills. It enables  
18 roughly 15,000 pieces of mail to be  
19 efficiently assembled per year.

20 This is a lease agreement for the  
21 equipment. It comes with an updated  
22 piece of machinery in the amount of  
23 \$10,619. And -- or you know \$169 a month  
24 for sixty-three months. Along with the  
25 buyout of our current lease agreement in



1 the amount of \$2,682. It does come with  
2 a five-year maintenance agreement, free  
3 for one year, and then there's an annual  
4 \$800 charge annually thereafter.

5 I move that the city council  
6 authorize the Mayor to Sign an Agreement  
7 with Quadient for Folder/Inserter as  
8 distributed with the agenda. This is a  
9 motion.

10 MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

11 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.

12 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second.

13 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

14 All those in favor, say aye.

15 IN UNISON: Aye.

16 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
17 matter passes.

18 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Item number  
19 10, Discussion and Vote: Authorization  
20 for the Mayor to Sign Agreement with  
21 ePlus Technology, Inc. to Provide Third-  
22 Party IT related Hardware, Peripherals,  
23 Software, Maintenance, Support, etc.

24 ePlus is a retailer of products and  
25 services, which are critical to IT. They



1           either ship or drop ship products to us  
2           or services are rendered by the company  
3           that renders them, so they're just a  
4           middleman for transactions.

5           I'm just going to make a motion on  
6           this. This is all highly technical.  
7           Unless anybody's really interested. Is  
8           anybody interested --

9           MAYOR KELLY: Sounds good.

10          COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Okay.  
11          It's -- you know, it's for IT. Okay. I  
12          move that the city council Authorize the  
13          Mayor to Sign Agreement with ePlus  
14          Technology Inc. to Provide Third-Party IT  
15          related Hardware, Peripherals, Software,  
16          Maintenance, Support, as distributed with  
17          the agenda. This is a motion.

18          MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

19          COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.

20          COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second.

21          MAYOR KELLY: All those in favor,  
22          say aye.

23          IN UNISON: Aye.

24          MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
25          matter passes.



1           COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Thank you.  
2           Item number 11, Authorization for the  
3           Mayor to Sign -- so I have these a little  
4           bit in an off order. I really should do  
5           item number 13 first, but we're -- or no,  
6           item number 12 first and then 11 and 13,  
7           but bear with me. They're all  
8           interrelated, the next three items.

9           MAYOR KELLY: Okay.

10          COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Item number  
11          11 is Authorization for the Mayor to Sign  
12          Memorandum of Understanding with the  
13          Saratoga Springs Housing Authority for  
14          use of the Saratoga Springs Housing  
15          Authority as a location for the Saratoga  
16          Springs Smart Cities Innovation  
17          Partnership Logistics Project.

18          So the finance department has been  
19          working with Tina Carton, the  
20          administrator of parks, open space,  
21          sustainability and historic preservation.  
22          And received a grant from New York State  
23          Economic Development Corporation to  
24          establish a pilot program for the  
25          conversation of LED lighting and



1 installation of technical equipment,  
2 which saves funds and incorporates public  
3 Wi-Fi and video analytics to our -- this  
4 one is for the housing authority. So  
5 we'll have public Wi-Fi available to  
6 members of our housing authority, which I  
7 think is great.

8 The New York State Technology  
9 Enterprise Corp will be the project  
10 manager. A contract with NYSTEC for  
11 these services is also on tonight's  
12 agenda. The Saratoga Springs Housing  
13 Authority has also agreed to allow the  
14 city to use its location as another  
15 project test area.

16 The MOU outlines the understanding  
17 between the housing authority and the  
18 city and has been approved by the  
19 Saratoga Springs Housing Authority Board.

20 I move that the council Authorize  
21 the Mayor to Sign Memorandum of  
22 Understanding, MOU, with the Saratoga  
23 Springs Housing Authority for use of the  
24 Saratoga Springs Housing Authority as a  
25 location for the Saratoga Springs Smart



1 Cities Innovation Partnership Logistics  
2 Project as distributed with the agenda.  
3 This is a motion.

4 MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

5 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second.

6 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.

7 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

8 COMMISSIONER DALTON: I think --

9 MAYOR KELLY: I think this is great,  
10 you know, Commissioner Madigan. I think  
11 it's really, you know, just to get them  
12 connected over there is a really terrific  
13 thing. Thank you.

14 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Pretty  
15 excited about it, but big kudos really  
16 have to go to Tina. She might be the  
17 most amazing project manager I've  
18 encountered. And actually NYSTEC's  
19 pretty good too, so thank you, Mayor, for  
20 Tina's time --

21 MAYOR KELLY: Yep.

22 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: -- on  
23 these --

24 MAYOR KELLY: Yep.

25 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: -- projects.



1           MAYOR KELLY:  Yep.  Kudos to Tina,  
2           as always.  Tina Carton is pretty much  
3           our rock star in our --

4           COMMISSIONER MADIGAN:  Yes, she is.

5           MAYOR KELLY:  -- department.

6           COMMISSIONER MADIGAN:  Yep.

7           MAYOR KELLY:  So all those in favor,  
8           say aye.

9           IN UNISON:  Aye.

10          MAYOR KELLY:  Any opposed?  The  
11          matter passes.

12          COMMISSIONER MADIGAN:  Item number  
13          12 is Authorization for the Mayor to Sign  
14          Memorandum of Understanding with the  
15          Saratoga Springs Public Library for the  
16          use of the Saratoga Springs Public  
17          Library as a location for the Saratoga  
18          Springs Smart Cities Innovation  
19          Partnership Logistics Project.  So it's  
20          essentially the same thing.

21          We're going to incorporate some  
22          public Wi-Fi outside the public library.  
23          And they are also going to do some video  
24          analytics.  In particular, some analytics  
25          of the parking area in front of the





1 public library. So we think this is  
2 another great project.

3 The Saratoga Springs Public Library  
4 has agreed to allow the city to use its  
5 location as one of its project test  
6 sites. The MOU outlines the  
7 understanding between the public library  
8 and the city. And this has also been  
9 approved by the Saratoga Springs Public  
10 Library Board.

11 I move that the council authorize  
12 the Mayor to Sign Memorandum of  
13 Understanding, MOU, with the Saratoga  
14 Springs Public Library for use of a  
15 location for the Saratoga Springs Smart  
16 Cities Innovation Partnership Logistics  
17 Project as distributed with the agenda.  
18 This is a motion.

19 MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

20 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.

21 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

22 All those in favor, say aye.

23 IN UNISON: Aye.

24 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
25 matter passes.



1                   COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Thank you.  
2                   Item number 13, Discussion and Vote:  
3                   Authorization for the Mayor to Sign  
4                   Agreement with New York State Technology  
5                   Enterprise for Project Management for the  
6                   Saratoga Springs Smart Cities Innovation  
7                   Partnership Logistics Project.

8                   So again, the finance department,  
9                   working with Tina, is working on these  
10                  two pilot projects. It involves multiple  
11                  partners, the housing authority, the  
12                  Saratoga Springs Public Library, the  
13                  city, and NYSTEC.

14                  On May 4th, the city council  
15                  approved an MOU with NYSTEC for this  
16                  presentation to Empire State Development  
17                  confirming the city's commitment to the  
18                  project. This agreement solidifies that  
19                  MOU into a contract form.

20                  I move that the council Authorize  
21                  the Mayor to Sign Agreement with New York  
22                  State Technology Enterprise, NYSTEC, for  
23                  Project Management for the Saratoga  
24                  Springs Smart Cities Innovation  
25                  Partnership Logistics Project as



1 distributed with the agenda. This is a  
2 motion.

3 MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

4 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.

5 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second.

6 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

7 All those in favor, say aye.

8 IN UNISON: Aye.

9 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
10 matter passes.

11 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Thank you.

12 Item number 14, Budget Transfers -  
13 Benefits. This transfer is to cover sick  
14 time for DPW recreation budget line item.  
15 Lines 1 through 2 transfer funds from  
16 unemployment to sick leave to cover sick  
17 time for a DPW recreation budget line  
18 item in the amount of \$7,366. Lines 3  
19 through 4 transfer funds from ice rink  
20 labor to DPW recreation retirement  
21 incentives to cover retirements in the  
22 amount of \$2,000.

23 I move that the city council approve  
24 Budget Transfers - Benefits as included  
25 with the agenda. This is a motion.



1           MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

2           COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.

3           MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

4           All those in favor, say aye.

5           IN UNISON: Aye.

6           MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
7 matter passes.

8           COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Item number  
9 15, Budget Amendments - Payroll. This  
10 amendment is for one of two items on the  
11 list of my 2021 Mid-Year Budget Amendment  
12 Recommendation which requires immediate  
13 attention as it involves a potential new  
14 hire and -- in the accounts department.

15           Lines 1 through 6, which cover the  
16 hire of a new assistant assessor, wages,  
17 Social Security, and benefits to be hired  
18 about six months prior to the retirement  
19 of the current -- of our current long-  
20 serving assistant city assessor in the  
21 amount of \$66,657.79, using increased  
22 funding from New York State VLT aid.

23           I move that the city council approve  
24 the Budget Amendments - Payroll as  
25 included with the agenda. This is a



1 motion.

2 MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

3 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.

4 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

5 All those in favor, say aye.

6 IN UNISON: Aye.

7 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
8 matter passes.

9 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: I could add  
10 an item to my agenda because I do have an  
11 appointment to the complete streets  
12 board, but it came in late.

13 Mayor, I don't know if you want me  
14 to -- you know, wait until July and make  
15 that appointment. I just -- I haven't  
16 had a chance --

17 MAYOR KELLY: I would add it. Let's  
18 go.

19 I'd like to make a motion to add an  
20 item to my agenda regarding an  
21 appointment to the complete streets  
22 board. This is a motion.

23 MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

24 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Second.

25 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.



1           MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

2           All those in favor, say aye.

3           IN UNISON: Aye.

4           MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
5 matter passes.

6           COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: So the item  
7 on my agenda is Appointment to the  
8 Complete Streets Board. And she probably  
9 doesn't know I'm doing this tonight, so  
10 maybe she'll show up at the next meeting.  
11 But I would like to appoint Jen Natyzak  
12 to the complete streets board. She is  
13 currently the chair of Bikeatoga, so I  
14 like that connection between Bikeatoga  
15 and complete streets. She also works for  
16 Skidmore College in their sustainability  
17 department.

18           MAYOR KELLY: Great.

19           COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: And I don't  
20 believe that requires a vote, but at  
21 least now she is actually appointed. And  
22 I will wish her well and let her know  
23 that she's been appointed.

24           MAYOR KELLY: Great, thank you,  
25 Commissioner.



1 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Thank you.

2 MAYOR KELLY: Anything else?

3 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: That  
4 completes my agenda.

5 MAYOR KELLY: Okay.

6 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: All right.  
7 Thank you.

8 MAYOR KELLY: That was sixteen  
9 items; that's pretty good.

10 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Very good.

11 MAYOR KELLY: Okay. On to public  
12 works, Commissioner Scirocco.

13 COMMISSIONER SCIROCCO: Thank you,  
14 Mayor.

15 The first item on my agenda is  
16 Discussion and Vote: Authorization for  
17 the Mayor to Sign a Contract with Jersen  
18 Construction Group for Raw Water  
19 Improvements Phase 1 General Construction  
20 Contract in the amount of \$2,011,446.

21 In a 2009 story published in the  
22 Saratoga Living Magazine, titled, How  
23 Water Works, Theo Hoin (ph.) shared some  
24 interesting history about Saratoga  
25 Springs' public water supply. In the



1 mid-1800s, Saratoga was filled with six  
2 and seven-story wooden hotels lit by gas  
3 lamps and fires were a serious problem.  
4 It wasn't until 1865 that a real solution  
5 was found when the editor of the  
6 Saratogian proposed to dam Loughberry  
7 Creek. This created our current  
8 Loughberry Lake and our first waterworks  
9 facility. Today we still rely on some of  
10 the parts of the raw water system from  
11 the 1890s and 19 -- and 1930s.

12 The purpose of this current project  
13 is to modernize the most critical parts  
14 of this aging infrastructure and increase  
15 the treatment capacity. Jersen  
16 Construction Group is a low -- is the low  
17 qualified bidder for the general  
18 construction contract work. The project  
19 is being done in multiple phases due to  
20 budgetary constraints. This first phase  
21 will replace portions of the 1890s brick-  
22 lined underground conduits and gate house  
23 south of Route 50 and replace the 1935  
24 sluice gates at the existing lake intake  
25 structure. The work also includes deep





1 open cut excavations, which will require  
2 engineer, structural shoring and  
3 dewatering.

4 Work at the existing lake intake  
5 structure will be done using underwater  
6 construction divers. The final scope is  
7 the extension of the existing thirty-inch  
8 barb metal raw -- raw water line to the  
9 existing raw water control structure.  
10 These upgrades will increase the capacity  
11 of the system to twelve million gallons a  
12 day.

13 Therefore, I move for Authorization  
14 for the Mayor to Sign a Contract with  
15 Jersen Construction Group for the Raw  
16 Water Improvements Phase 1 General  
17 Construction Contract in the amount of  
18 \$2,011,446. And I put that in front of a  
19 motion.

20 MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

21 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.

22 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

23 All those in favor, say aye.

24 IN UNISON: Aye.

25 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The



1 matter passes.

2 COMMISSIONER SCIROCCO: Second item  
3 on my agenda is Discussion and Vote:  
4 Authorization for the Mayor to Sign  
5 Contract with Brunswick Electric for the  
6 Raw Water Improvements Phase 1 Electrical  
7 Construction Contract in the amount of  
8 \$190,000.

9 Brunswick is the low bidder for the  
10 electrical contract work. This scope  
11 includes running new power equipment out  
12 to the lake intake structure. This  
13 requires the use of directional drilling  
14 under the lake bottom from the available  
15 power source at the west side of the  
16 lake.

17 Brunswick's crew will also provide  
18 new electrical power to the controls in  
19 the screen room in the basement of the  
20 water treatment plan.

21 Therefore, I move for the -- I move  
22 for Authorization for the Mayor to Sign a  
23 Contract with Brunswick Electric for the  
24 Raw Water Improvements Phase I Electrical  
25 Construction Contract in the amount of



1           \$190,000. And I put that in front of a  
2           motion.

3           MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

4           COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.

5           MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

6           All those in favor, say aye.

7           IN UNISON: Aye.

8           MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
9           matter passes.

10          COMMISSIONER SCIROCCO: And that  
11          concludes my agenda.

12          MAYOR KELLY: Thank you,  
13          Commissioner.

14          On to public safety, Commissioner  
15          Dalton.

16          COMMISSIONER DALTON: Thank you,  
17          Mayor. If it's all right with you all, I  
18          just wanted to make one addition, just an  
19          announcement to my agenda.

20          MAYOR KELLY: Okay. Can you make a  
21          motion for that?

22          COMMISSIONER DALTON: I sure can.  
23          I'd like to make a motion to add an item  
24          to my agenda. This is a motion.

25          MAYOR KELLY: Okay, what is -- what



1 is the item?

2 COMMISSIONER DALTON: It's an  
3 announcement.

4 MAYOR KELLY: Okay. Is there a  
5 second?

6 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.

7 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Second.

8 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

9 All those in favor, say aye.

10 IN UNISON: Aye.

11 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
12 matter passes.

13 Go ahead.

14 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Thank you,  
15 very much. So I just wanted to  
16 acknowledge what New York State  
17 acknowledged today, which is that we have  
18 reached our seventy percent benchmark for  
19 vaccinations on this 472nd day of the  
20 pandemic. And so it's a really  
21 celebratory day and historic day for our  
22 state. And I wanted to offer this to the  
23 council. I think that for the City of  
24 Saratoga Springs, it would be terrific if  
25 we could memorialize what the city has



1           been through, the sixty-one lives in the  
2           city that were lost to COVID-19, and the  
3           sacrifices that were made by our  
4           essential workers, the people on the  
5           front lines, and everyone in this  
6           community who pitched in and helped to  
7           protect the public health of our -- of  
8           our community. And so I would like to  
9           establish a committee to work on putting  
10          a memorial someplace in Saratoga Springs  
11          that memorializes, again, the lives lost,  
12          and the efforts made throughout this  
13          historic pandemic that we are now finally  
14          at the conclusion of.

15                 And so I wanted to throw it out to  
16          the council to see what you thought. And  
17          if it's something that you think is also  
18          a good idea, I would love for each one of  
19          our council people at some point, and our  
20          Mayor, to appoint someone to be on this  
21          committee to hopefully unveil something  
22          potentially in early fall, maybe  
23          September/October.

24                 MAYOR KELLY: Any thoughts, council?

25                 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: I think it's



1 a great idea. I -- I do. You know, it's  
2 once every 100 years, you know, I guess,  
3 pandemic let's hope. And you know we all  
4 went through a lot. So if you want a  
5 recommendation from me or the rest of the  
6 council agrees, and maybe we can come up  
7 with something. You know, we lost a lot  
8 of community members. I still have to  
9 work on getting our Matt McCabe walkway  
10 up and running. It is --

11 MAYOR KELLY: Right.

12 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: -- I'm still  
13 working on that, you know, that's in the  
14 back of my mind anyway with a million  
15 other things. But I think it's a good --  
16 because that was just so sad too, you  
17 know. We lost a lot of people in this  
18 community.

19 I'm sure, Commissioner Franck, you  
20 saw quite the uptick in, you know, death  
21 certificates or had some --

22 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Yeah --

23 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: -- yeah.

24 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: -- our death  
25 certificates are up like three times for



1 January, February, and March versus the  
2 previous year.

3 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Sixty-one of  
4 our Saratogians in total were lost to  
5 COVID, so --

6 MAYOR KELLY: I don't have, you  
7 know -- put -- put something together.  
8 Just run it by us, you know.

9 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Yep.  
10 Absolutely.

11 MAYOR KELLY: All right.

12 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Commissioner  
13 Scirocco, thoughts?

14 COMMISSIONER SCIROCCO: You know, I  
15 just need to see what your, you know,  
16 what your proposal is.

17 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Yep. Okay.  
18 All right. Well that concludes that.

19 On to the first item on my agenda.  
20 Discussion and Vote to Amend Chapter 225-  
21 87 of the City Code Entitled Vehicle and  
22 Traffic Schedule XXII Time Limit Parking.  
23 This is to make the west side of High  
24 Rock Avenue two-hour parking which is  
25 what is on the east side of High Rock



1 Avenue.

2 I make a motion to amend Chapter  
3 225-87 of the City Code Entitled Vehicle  
4 and Traffic Schedule XXII Time Limit  
5 Parking on the east and west side of High  
6 Rock Avenue, time limit two hours between  
7 9 a.m. and 6 p.m. between Lake Avenue and  
8 York Avenue. This is a motion.

9 MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

10 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.

11 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

12 All those in favor, say aye.

13 IN UNISON: Aye.

14 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
15 matter passes.

16 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Thank you.  
17 The item on my agenda is Discussion and  
18 Vote: Authorization for the Mayor to Sign  
19 a Contract with Stilsing Electric. This  
20 contract is for on-call maintenance for  
21 traffic signals when our department is  
22 unavailable.

23 I make a motion for the Mayor to  
24 sign a contract with Stilsing Electric.  
25 This is a motion.





1 MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

2 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.

3 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Second.

4 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

5 All those in favor, say aye.

6 IN UNISON: Aye.

7 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
8 matter passes.

9 COMMISSIONER DALTON: The third item  
10 is to Set Public Hearing to Amend  
11 Chapters 180 and 217 of the City Code.  
12 This is to remove fees from Chapter 180,  
13 entitled Right-of-Way Permit, and Chapter  
14 217, which is entitled Storage  
15 Containers, and allow fees to be  
16 established by resolution of the city  
17 council from time to time.

18 Could we set that for our next  
19 meeting?

20 MAYOR KELLY: Lisa Ribis?

21 SECRETARY RIBIS: Yep, 6:55 okay?

22 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Perfect.

23 SECRETARY RIBIS: Okay. Thank you.

24 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Thank you.

25 The fourth item on my agenda is



1 Discussion and Vote: Authorization for  
2 the Mayor to Sign a Contract with  
3 McKesson Medical-Surgical Government  
4 Solutions LLC. This is a contract for  
5 emergency medical supplies for the fire  
6 department.

7 I make a motion to authorize the  
8 Mayor to sign a contract with McKesson  
9 Medical-Surgical Government Solutions  
10 LLC. This is a motion.

11 MAYOR KELLY: Is there a second?

12 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Second.

13 COMMISSIONER FRANCK: Second.

14 MAYOR KELLY: Any discussion?

15 All those in favor, say aye.

16 IN UNISON: Aye.

17 MAYOR KELLY: Any opposed? The  
18 matter passes.

19 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Thank you,  
20 Mayor. That concludes my agenda.

21 MAYOR KELLY: Thank you.

22 On to supervisors, Supervisor  
23 Veitch.

24 SUPERVISOR VEITCH: Hello. Thank  
25 you, Mayor. Just a couple of items for



1 me today.

2 First on the agenda is just a report  
3 from the Buildings & Grounds Committee.  
4 Our last meeting was held a couple of  
5 weeks ago with the county, and one of the  
6 things that our committee is responsible  
7 for is the Saratoga County Airport. As  
8 part of the airport safety plan, there  
9 are areas of land around the airport that  
10 are designated as what's called runway  
11 protection zones, or RPZ. And the FAA  
12 encourages that the airport owner clear  
13 or acquire land for those areas. They're  
14 basically areas where most likely that an  
15 accident may occur with a plane take off  
16 or landing. And so they try to keep  
17 those areas of land clear around the  
18 airport so that safety for airport take  
19 off and landing is at its maximum.

20 So the county is considering two  
21 parcels, one on the northeast and one of  
22 the northwest sides of the airport. One  
23 is a small parcel with a house on it.  
24 The other is a larger vacant parcel in  
25 the town of Milton off of Stone Church



1 Road. And the larger parcel has  
2 opportunities for potentially developing  
3 into some passive recreation trails. And  
4 based on the amount of development around  
5 the airport, it would be a good way to  
6 mitigate the impacts of the airport for  
7 the public.

8 Secondly, just another thing is the  
9 Governor has announced a program called  
10 the Upstate Airport Economic Development  
11 and Revitalization Competition.

12 MAYOR KELLY: Excuse me, Supervisor?  
13 Supervisor --

14 SUPERVISOR VEITCH: Hello?

15 MAYOR KELLY: Can you just speak up,  
16 I can't hear you well.

17 SUPERVISOR VEITCH: Oh, is that --  
18 all right.

19 MAYOR KELLY: Yeah. There's  
20 something going on, I keep -- you keep  
21 drifting away from me.

22 SUPERVISOR VEITCH: I'll stay as  
23 close as I can.

24 MAYOR KELLY: Maybe on purpose, I  
25 don't know.



1           SUPERVISOR VEITCH: I'll stay as  
2 close as I can here. Is that better?

3           MAYOR KELLY: Yes, that is better.  
4 Thank you.

5           SUPERVISOR VEITCH: Okay. So  
6 second, the Governor has announced his  
7 Upstate Airport Economic Development and  
8 Revitalization Competition. He's made up  
9 to the \$23 million available for the  
10 renovation or upgrade or construction of  
11 upstate airport amenities and facilities.

12           Saratoga County Airport was  
13 basically built and established sometime  
14 in the 1930s. And our airport kind of  
15 shows it. We have a small two-lane road  
16 that leads into the airport. Our main  
17 hanger is a building that was probably  
18 built in the 1960s. It has a metal  
19 cladding on the outside, hasn't been  
20 upgraded in a long time. And other  
21 random buildings around the airport.

22           So one of the ideas is potentially  
23 building a new terminal building, which  
24 we are going to be going forward to apply  
25 for this grant for. One thing that would



1 be great for our airport is something  
2 that would showcase our county, advertise  
3 economic development and business  
4 opportunities, potentially have a  
5 business center, café, Taste NY,  
6 something like that in it, to basically  
7 welcome travelers that are coming to  
8 Saratoga County through the airport by  
9 air.

10 We do have a fair amount of people  
11 especially in the summertime who do  
12 travel to Saratoga County by air for the  
13 track, as well as many of the artists  
14 from SPAC, among other business folks.  
15 And with, you know, Global Foundries, and  
16 other large tech corporations coming to  
17 our county, more and more travelers come  
18 by air. And I was -- it was interesting  
19 to find out that we actually have some  
20 international travelers who land in  
21 Saratoga County as their final  
22 destination.

23 So we're going to try to see what we  
24 can do and investigate getting that  
25 started. So I think that'll be a nice



1 addition to our county. And kind of a  
2 welcome for people who are hopefully  
3 traveling to the city from the airport to  
4 spend time here in Saratoga.

5 Second on my agenda is just a quick  
6 review of the Government Review &  
7 Efficiency Committee. We did have some  
8 amendments to our rules of the board that  
9 were done and passed today at our county  
10 board meeting. We are in the process of  
11 revising our county budget process, which  
12 will be starting in the next month or so.  
13 So we're going to try to have a new  
14 budget process kind of built for that  
15 before we start the process. And also  
16 continuing to review our local laws that  
17 we have in the county. And we do have a  
18 few that are going to be coming up  
19 shortly for some review.

20 And third on my agenda is just to  
21 update on the Saratoga County Law Library  
22 Board of Trustees, of which I am a member  
23 for the Board of Supervisors. We did  
24 have a meeting on May 26th at the --  
25 Judge Walsh's chambers. Just to let



1 people know, our Saratoga County Law  
2 Library is located at the court building  
3 in Ballston Spa. It is open from 9 to 12  
4 and 1 to 5, Monday through Friday. So it  
5 is open for -- to the public during those  
6 times. We have many electronic law  
7 materials that people can access. And  
8 again, with a shrinking print collection,  
9 more and more of our users are using the  
10 online options that we have at the law  
11 library.

12 We are actually also looking into  
13 qualifying the law library as what's  
14 called a court help center. And they're  
15 working with the Saratoga County Bar into  
16 seeing how they can do that, which is  
17 actually a way for the public to get some  
18 pro bono services from attorneys using  
19 the law library as the vehicle.

20 And we also had a resolution today  
21 on our board agenda at the County Board  
22 of Supervisors to actually name our law  
23 library. It's currently just called the  
24 Saratoga County Law Library right now,  
25 but we would like to name it in honor of





1 former Judge Thomas Nolan, who just  
2 retired from the bench. He was  
3 instrumental in moving the law library to  
4 the new location. He served as the chair  
5 of the Law Library Board of Trustees for  
6 many years. And has a long history of  
7 serving our community as both an attorney  
8 in Clifton Park and some other towns, as  
9 well as a judge for Saratoga County and  
10 the Supreme Court.

11 So that's my agenda. Thank you,  
12 very much. And that's it.

13 MAYOR KELLY: Thank you, Supervisor.  
14 I just want to tell you, Supervisor  
15 Veitch, your sound is cutting in and out.

16 SUPERVISOR VEITCH: I'm sorry about  
17 that.

18 MAYOR KELLY: So that's just  
19 something that we have to check out,  
20 okay?

21 SUPERVISOR VEITCH: Yeah.

22 MAYOR KELLY: In fact, it's not all  
23 the way out. It just fades in and out.  
24 I don't know. So --

25 SUPERVISOR VEITCH: I don't know if



1           it's the internet or my microphone, so  
2           we'll --

3           MAYOR KELLY: Yeah.

4           SUPERVISOR VEITCH: -- we'll figure  
5           that out.

6           MAYOR KELLY: Okay.

7           SUPERVISOR VEITCH: Thank you,  
8           Mayor.

9           MAYOR KELLY: Yep.

10          Supervisor Gaston?

11          SUPERVISOR GASTON: Good? Thank  
12          you. Is my sound a little bit better  
13          or --

14          MAYOR KELLY: You're okay right now.  
15          Yep.

16          SUPERVISOR GASTON: Okay. Thank  
17          you.

18          First item on my agenda is a Public  
19          Health Update. As Commissioner Dalton  
20          referenced, we are doing quite well in  
21          Saratoga County and New York State.  
22          Right now, our seven-day rolling  
23          positivity rate is .4 percent, which is a  
24          number that I did not imagine seeing a  
25          while ago. And we currently only have 25



1 active cases of COVID-19. That is  
2 primarily because our county residents  
3 have done an incredible job of seeking  
4 out vaccines. At this time, Saratoga  
5 County has a higher number -- or a higher  
6 percentage of population that is fully  
7 vaccinated than Albany County.  
8 Meanwhile, we have received, over the  
9 course of COVID-19, often a tenth of the  
10 vaccines at any given week. So this is a  
11 testament to our county residents who  
12 have worked very hard to make sure that  
13 they obtain their vaccines.

14 We are at about a little over sixty-  
15 three percent of the total population  
16 with at least one vaccine, and well over  
17 seventy percent of adults, which is the  
18 Governor's metric he's using right now.  
19 But we're almost sixty percent fully  
20 vax'd, which is an incredible  
21 achievement. And that -- obviously,  
22 that's our public health department, but  
23 it's also the residents themselves who  
24 went out and sought vaccines when our  
25 public health department was not



1 receiving them from the State.

2 Because the State has reached  
3 seventy percent of adults with at least  
4 one vaccine, many, but not all, of the  
5 COVID-19 restrictions have been lifted.  
6 So if your child is attending a K -- Pre-  
7 K through 12 school, you're going to a  
8 large scale event, or your connected with  
9 any congregant living facilities, such as  
10 nursing homes, jails, shelters, you may  
11 still have to follow some guidelines.  
12 And un-vax'd persons are still supposed  
13 to monitor, social distance, and wear  
14 masks.

15 So we are getting there. There's  
16 also, you know, significant reason for  
17 everyone to get vaccinated if they can  
18 because then you can avoid wearing those  
19 as much as possible.

20 I would also like to thank our own  
21 city resident, Charlie Samuels (ph.), for  
22 working with me on creating a PSA. I  
23 know that Commissioner Dalton and  
24 Commissioner Madigan have seen it. I  
25 would hope that the city would also share



1           it. We're putting it up on our county  
2           social media, as well. It's a great PSA.  
3           He unfortunately had family losses as a  
4           result of COVID-19, and really is a great  
5           advocate for encouraging people to get  
6           vaccinated so that we can all be safe and  
7           get back to normal.

8                         And on that end, I would also like  
9           to thank Ed Mitzen from Fingerpaint, Ryan  
10          McMahon and the City Center Board, as  
11          well, as Pat Pepino (ph.) from Ben &  
12          Jerry's, we are going to be hosting a one  
13          and done Johnson & Johnson vaccination  
14          event from 10 to 2 on Thursday at  
15          Fingerpaint. We've got Death Wish Cold  
16          Brew, we've got ice cream. It'll be a  
17          party. So if you have not gotten your  
18          vaccine, it's a great opportunity to get  
19          one.

20                        Commissioner Madigan, it looked like  
21          you were trying to say something, but you  
22          were muted.

23                        COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: I was muted.  
24          Thank you. I did see it. I even wanted  
25          to reach out because I wanted to share it



1 and then, you know, something came off.  
2 So thank you for the reminder because I  
3 do want to share that PSA.

4 COMMISSIONER DALTON: I'll make sure  
5 it's shared on the necessary channels, as  
6 well.

7 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: Okay, great.

8 COMMISSIONER DALTON: I also just  
9 wanted to mention for people because you  
10 know they're probably going to ask, the  
11 State is doing fireworks across the state  
12 tonight because of the seventy percent  
13 threshold. So Albany's having fireworks.  
14 I believe there's fireworks in  
15 potentially Lake George or Lake Placid.  
16 So just let the public know if they hear  
17 fireworks, that is why.

18 COMMISSIONER MADIGAN: People are  
19 happy.

20 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Yes.

21 COMMISSIONER DALTON: Sorry,  
22 Supervisor Gaston, didn't mean to --

23 SUPERVISOR GASTON: Great, thank  
24 you. Second item on my agenda is the  
25 Women in Government Program. Just wanted



1 to remind everyone of that,  
2 saratogacountyny.gov/leadershipprogram.  
3 We're accepting applications until June  
4 22nd. And that looks like it's going to  
5 be a great program, as well. We have a  
6 lot of department heads really excited,  
7 so if you ever wanted to find out the  
8 boring parts and the nitty gritty of  
9 county government, it's a good  
10 opportunity.

11 And for those of you who are rising  
12 juniors and seniors, it's also a really  
13 good opportunity to get something to put  
14 on your college applications. So as a  
15 parent, got to push however I can.

16 If anyone needs -- has any  
17 questions, all of the information's  
18 available on the website at that address,  
19 including where you would get your  
20 questions answered.

21 The third item on my agenda is I  
22 will be sending out tomorrow a link for  
23 funding priorities and what our Saratoga  
24 County residents believe we should spend  
25 our American Rescue Plan Funding as a



1 county. The county has just received  
2 approximately \$22 million in funding. We  
3 have a lot of places to spend that. Some  
4 of it is municipalities, some of it is  
5 they're parts of the county that need the  
6 money. But I would like to get the input  
7 of county residents. That also includes,  
8 you know, our elective and governmental  
9 officials. And so it's just going to  
10 have some questions. And if anyone wants  
11 to talk further, feel free to let me  
12 know.

13 Once the survey has gotten a few  
14 results, a decent amount, then I'll have  
15 a public forum where we can discuss them  
16 and kind of flesh out some of those so  
17 that as the county's deciding where the  
18 money's going to go and how we're going  
19 to spend it, that we really have the  
20 input of our public in doing so.

21 The fourth item on the agenda, and  
22 the final item, is just from the --  
23 today's Board of Supervisors Meeting.  
24 The board did issue proclamations for  
25 both Pride Month and Juneteenth. And I'm





1 glad to see that those are now being more  
2 regularly recognized by the county, which  
3 was not the case historically, so I  
4 appreciate my colleagues in supporting  
5 that moving forward.

6 As well, the Board of Supervisors  
7 did move tonight to appoint Scott  
8 Chamberlin as director of personnel and  
9 human resources beginning August 2nd,  
10 2021. That resolution was brought from  
11 the floor, and it will be appended in the  
12 minutes and the transcript of the  
13 meeting.

14 And that concludes my agenda unless  
15 any of the Commissioners have any  
16 questions?

17 MAYOR KELLY: Thank you. Any other  
18 business from the council?

19 Then we are adjourned. Have a good  
20 evening.

21 (Meeting adjourned.)  
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